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ANS AT MAROA.

A picnic Day will be Observed

Aug. 27th—The Programme.

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it will be a picnic after all

music by Goodman's band,

by representative Pythians,

for all visitors, receptions,

and a good time generally.

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Program.

Band.....

Elder Lloyd Newcomer

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Rev. Preston Wood

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G. C. John D. Benedict

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Frank Potter, chairman

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Bill for Divorce.

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The Daily Republican.

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DECATUR, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 1897.

10 CENTS PER WEEK

MINERS AT WORK.

All Quiet at the Decatur Shafts,
But Coal is Coming Up Rapidly All the Time.

STRIKERS CONTINUE TO PERSUADE.

Decatur Men Go Through the Strike
Pickets and Resume Their Work—
Police in the Vicinity of the Mines.

The business of coal mining in Decatur is still under way. The owners of the plants have contracts to fill and they are filling them, besides providing coal in small lots for all who call for the fuel.

There is apparently no interference in the conduct of the business, aside from the attempts of the Decatur men who have quit their jobs and those strikers who came here from a distance to tell the local men what they ought to do to get the miners to turn back from the mines, go to a hall and hear more of the strike gospel as spoken by Neil, Davis, Conroy and others. The men did not turn back to day. They had left their homes and families at the usual hour this morning to resume their occupation. They were not out to hear speeches. They had been given opportunities to be persuaded in that way several weeks ago, when Cartwright, Neil and others were here, but they refused then to go to the hall. They still refuse, although it was declared by Orator Neil when he was here first and was not given a hearing that when he came again he would bring enough men with him to compel a hearing. He kept his word as to bringing the men, but it is now demonstrated that the Decatur men by a considerable majority will not be induced to listen to the strikers whose only desire and aim is to get men to stop work when jobs are scarce. They assert that there are no jobs to throw away, claiming that they think they are doing the square thing for themselves, the city and their families, by remaining at work.

The strikers got up early again this morning and were in the vicinity of the mines to head off the miners, but they did not make any headway. The men would not stop. Some were not approached. Evidently the strikers knew that some of the men it would be wise to steer clear of, and they were not molested. The great effort of the strikers now is to get some of the Polish miners to make a break from the mine, then they think they can shut down the business. The regular police force was at the mines this morning, and a few extra men were posted at different points, so as to be in easy call if needed. Their services were not required. The groups of strikers did not deter the miners from going to work. Only a few stopped on the way to work.

All day the miners have been in full operation, with the usual number of men digging and sending up the coal.

Manager Armstrong says that but for the presence of the strikers in the vicinity of the mines, and the meetings held every evening, he would not know that there was anything of a strike in Decatur. Coal is coming up about as rapidly as usual, and he has applications from strangers for places in the mines. He does not know the men who have asked for places. For the present at least only the old men will be kept at work.

The strikers from Springfield still state

that they will remain in Decatur until all

the men are out. The news from Pitts

burgh, where, yesterday, all of the men

were told to resume work, does not seem

to worry the strikers, although they were

anxious last evening to know just what

had been done by the Pittsburgh leaders.

Yesterday at Chicago, a meeting of the

mine owners in Illinois and Indiana was

held. The owners decided that the busi

ness was such that they could not increase

the pay of the miners.

The strikers in Decatur claim to be

gaining ground. The company managers

say that the usual number of men report

ed for work this morning.

What Springfield is Doing.

A man named Adam Davis was found

yesterday in the weeds near the race

track. The man was suffering with ma

jaria fever and his illness made him un

able to move about. He was taken to the

poor house, where he will be cared for.

Frank Bandorf, another man who was

taken sick on the street a few days ago, is

also at the poor farm.

Pingree's Men Strike.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 19.—Governor

Pingree's shoe factory was tied up at noon

by the strike of the bootmakers. Seven

hundred hands are affected. They demand increased pay. They decline the

offer of the firm to arbitrate, saying they

always get the worst of arbitration.

Events of Today.

This afternoon Marshal Mason was in

formed that some of the Springfield strik

ers had approached the Decatur men, who

were on their way to work and threatened

them with violence if they did not come out. The marshal sent for Neil and Davis, two of the strike leaders, and asked them about the truth of the story. Both said that if any threats had been made they did not know anything about it and further, that none of the men were authorized to make any threats.

John Conroy, for the strikers, today said that about 185 Decatur men were out, and that a party of 16 men had joined the camp today. They came in three vehicles from Springfield and Riverton, and that they brought with them a wagon load of provisions worth about \$30, the contribution of Riverton people, collected by parties at that place, who were not miners.

It is claimed that the strikers have a new plan of operations which they will adopt and hope to make a success of it. The plan may be made known tonight.

A Complaint.

The following is a copy of a letter received by the sheriff today, which explains itself:

"Decatur, Ill., Aug. 19, 1897.

"Mr. J. P. Nicholson, Sheriff, Decatur, Ill.:

"Dear Sir—I am just in receipt of a communication from Manager Armstrong, of the East Decatur works, saying that the strikers, on our right of way, crowded around the shaft this morning, much to the annoyance of the men who desire to work. I would thank you to arrange to keep these men off our right of way, near that point, within a reasonable distance of the Coal Company's property line, as we have every assurance if the Decatur miners continue at work for a few days longer, that Niantic miners will commence work. Respectfully yours, W. A. Garrett, Superintendent Wabash Railroad Company."

SITUATION AT COFFEEEN.

Exactly the Same Conditions May Exist in Decatur Ere Long.

Coffeen, Ill., Aug. 19.—Five hundred strikers are still in town, and are now under the personal direction of "General" Bradley, who arrived early yesterday afternoon, having been bailed out on \$1000 bond. The mine was operated with 40 men at work, and more are expected to appear for work. "General" Bradley was in excellent spirits. "We are peaceable, harmless fellows," he said. "We mean to harm no one. We shall remain here several days to secure if possible a meeting with these miners. If they see fit to come out and join us, all right, but if they do otherwise I shall simply be disappointed, and of course we will then leave them and go on our way."

No trouble is now expected, as the crusaders have attempted no violence whatever.

After a great effort to secure a hearing the crusaders were unsuccessful, and it is thought that it will be a very hard matter to get the Coffeen miners to turn back. None of the strikers are allowed on the road, even though only in pairs and a hundred yards apart.

A Secret Meeting.

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 19.—The national executive committee of the Mine Workers' association was called to meet today. President Dolan of the Pittsburgh district, being asked why they were here, said he did not know, having been summoned without explanation. At headquarters Secretary Pierce said he did not have any news to give out.

The board adjourned until this afternoon to await the coming of the other members. When asked to foreshadow the proposed action President Ratchford said:

"The conservative policy adopted by the board at the beginning must necessarily be departed from because of the radical policy on the other side. Our board will be obliged to test the tactics of the other side, also take steps to extend the fight into other fields. We must adopt other methods to meet injunctions. Our people are being arrested by the wholesale for public meetings. We do not propose to have injunctions break this strike."

Illinois Mine Operators Meeting.

Peoria, Ill., Aug. 19.—Only 17 Illinois mine operators were present at the meeting this morning. Without transacting any business they adjourned until this afternoon.

May Give Strikers Another Chance.

Pittsburg, Aug. 19.—The operators are determined to start their mines, but many are willing to submit the question to arbitration before taking radical steps

and an effort is being made to have a conference of the mine owners and the miners to this end Saturday.

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MILLIONS ARE WASTED.

How the People's Treasury Is Robbed Right and Left

Abuses in Official Life Which Need Correction—Fancy Salaries Paid to Persons Who Do Not Earn Them.

(Special Washington Letter.) This is a true story of the greatest highway robbery that ever occurred:

The singular point of the whole story is that the robbers have never been arrested nor even suspected.

The amount of booty secured is almost fabulous and the number of people who suffered by the robbery is appalling. It seems very strange that this story should have to be written, when so many people of intelligence are interested and should have discovered the culprits long ago.

The people of the United States have been crying and whining about hard times for the past three years, when they should be the richest people in the world. They are intelligent and educated and certainly ought to know the cause of the hard times of which they have been complaining. They should study current events and make note of the fact that all men in public life are not honest, and that very few will have their names placed upon the calendar of salutes. They ought also to note that some men in public life are dishonest, and that those who have remained in public life longest have been most often tempted to better their conditions, no matter how.

I think it is time for the men who run the government of the United States to come to judgment. It is time to tell at least enough of the truth to set the people to thinking on right lines. They do no need a revision of the tariff every four years. They do not need to disturb a monetary system which has been stable for more than a generation. There was nothing the matter with the monetary system of this country until men high in public life began deliberately to rob the treasury right before the eyes of a patient people.

If the people of the United States had now in their possession the total sum of \$300,000,000 or more, of which they have been plundered, they would not be crying about hard times. No one who studies the annual appropriation bills which are passed by both houses of congress, and approved by the president; no one who takes the Blue Book and studies the list of salaries which are paid for clerical services; no one who can be sufficiently non-partisan to make comparison between the appropriations and expenditures of the government, and who will contrast the official salaries of men with those of the business world, will fail to see that the extravagance of the government of the United States is simply appalling.

He will be a very narrow-minded man who will view these things from a partisan standpoint, and seek to place the blame upon the political party to which he does not belong. While the politicians are inducing the people to "blame it on the other fellow," they



THE WIDOW'S PLEA.

are the most successful in plundering their deluded hearers.

To be practical, let instances be cited. Well, there are six auditors of the treasury, each of whom receives a salary of \$5,000. You have right in your own town several bright young men who are well educated, and perfectly capable of performing the functions of a treasury auditorship as well as any ward politician on earth; and any one of those young men would be glad to fill the position of an auditor, and have four years of residence in Washington, even if the salary were only \$2,000, instead of \$5,000 per annum. Now that being the case, why should the government pay each of those auditors \$5,000 per annum? Is it not a sheer waste of \$18,000 per annum? Would any business man pay more for salaries than is absolutely necessary?

Why, then does the government pay these excessive salaries to the auditors? Simply because the senators and members of congress who make the appropriations want their political friends rewarded for party services; and they reward them fancy salaries, but the over-taxed people have to pay the money. It is simply highway robbery, and nothing else. But these six auditors of the treasury are insignificant as compared with the whole story.

In this city alone there are over 2,000 clerks who draw salaries of \$1,800 or \$2,000 each; and there are about 4,000 clerks who draw salaries of \$1,400 or \$1,600 each. There are plenty of intelligent young men and women throughout the country who would be glad to live in Washington, and work from nine o'clock in the morning until four o'clock in the afternoon, for \$800 per annum; and you know of several good and competent men in your own neighborhood who would gladly accept such a position for \$900 per annum. Well, there is nothing difficult in the work of these clerks, and there are plenty of

good men and women who would be glad to take the places at greatly reduced salaries. I figure it that there are about 3,000 clerks in Washington alone who are receiving each \$1,000 more than should be paid them. Do you realize what that means? It means that the over-taxed people of this country are annually paying at least \$3,000,000 more than ought to be paid for clerical services in Washington city.

Look at the postal system. There are postmasters in every town of 1,000 or more inhabitants, who are drawing salaries ranging from \$1,000 up to \$6,000 per annum; and in other business lines those gentlemen would find it difficult to earn more than \$600 per annum. Just think of it! There are 70,000 post offices; and in at least 40,000 of those post offices we are paying an average of \$600 each year more than we should pay. That shows a total waste of about \$20,000,000 each year.

Without going more into detail as to figures, it may be said that any man of

experience can sit down and demonstrate to his friends in the parlor, or in the schoolhouse, that the people have been robbed of not less than \$50,000,000 each year, for at least ten years; and in that period alone there has been a waste of the enormous sum of \$500,000,000.

Then there is our peculiarly-constructed civil service law, which is building up an office-holding aristocracy, which will continue this state of affairs, unless some apostle with courage shall come along and tell the truth, the whole truth, and awaken the people.

"Great God, Mr. Secretary, can you do nothing for me at all?"

The tears came despite her strong effort to control her feelings as she stood beside the desk of the cabinet minister of the nation. Her whole frame trembled with emotion as she said:

"When the colonel died, he said to me, almost with his last breath: 'Mollie, I believe that I have left you in comfortable circumstances. But if you ever become poor and needy, go to Gen. Sherman or Gen. Sheridan, and tell them that you are my widow. You will be well cared for, rest assured of that.' Teach the children to remember that their father was a soldier, and that he died of the wounds received at Champion hills, in Chickamauga, and at Five Forks. The doctors say that the last wound in the lungs is what has brought me to this gasping close of life. But the country will care for you, Mollie, and you need never fear."

"And so believing, Mr. Secretary, he died. And now you'll me that the republic has no power to help me? Gen. Sheridan is dead, but I have Gen. Sherman's letter telling about the colonel's services before Vicksburg in December, 1862, and later at Missionary Ridge. Gen. Rosecrans writes of his gallantry at Chickamauga. But Sherman is dead and cannot tell of Five Forks. I wrote to him about it, but the next day the newspapers said that Sherman was dying. Mr. Secretary, I am in absolute want. I must have something to do; please make a place for me in the department."

"My dear madam," replied the secretary, "the civil service law is in the way, and I can do nothing unless it is to appoint you as a charwoman, at \$25 per month. Will you accept that?"

"Yes, Mr. Secretary, I will accept anything to keep away the pangs of hunger, to give me a roof to shelter me, and to keep me from sin and shame."

The appointment was made. The talented, beautiful girl-bride of the soldier who had fought so well is a gray-haired charwoman in the department. In the same building is the widow of a confederate general. She goes into the department under the last administration, no matter how. She got there, and her salary is \$1,000 per annum. She has \$125 per month. She gets \$32 per week, and works with a pen. The widow of the union soldier gets only \$20 per month, and she works with broom, scrubbing brush and feather duster; after the other lady has gone to her elegant rooms to dress in silks and satins, laces and ribbons for the opera.

The soldier's widow wears calico, eats crackers and cheese, and in winter shivers in a fireless room with bare floors and hard bed; for \$20 per month does not buy luxuries in the capital of the nation which was saved by the prowess and self-abnegation of men like her noble husband.

SMITH D. FRY.

Literary Earmarks.

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THE TURN OF LIFE.

THE MOST CRITICAL PERIOD IN THE LIFE OF A WOMAN.

Experience of Mrs. Kelly, of Patchogue, Long Island.

There is no period in woman's earthly career which she approaches with so much anxiety as the "change of life." Yet during the past twenty years women have learned much from a woman.

It is safe to say that women who prepare themselves for the eventful period, pass through it much easier than in the past.

There is but one course to pursue to subdue the nervous complications, and prepare the system for the change. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound should be used.

It is well for those approaching this time, to write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. She has the experience of years to aid her in advising. She will charge you nothing.

She helped this woman, who says:

"I have used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in my family ten years, with the best results. Some time ago my daughter had catarrh of the womb, and it entirely cured her. I was approaching the "change of life," and was in a deplorable condition. My womb had fallen, and the bearing-down pains and backache were terrible, and kidney affected.

"I began taking the Compound, and my pains ceased. I consider it the strong bridge between sickness and health, and recommend it to everybody I meet who needs it."—Mrs. L. KELLY, Patchogue, L. I.

"Put Me Off at Buffalo."

The Wabash line, the original Grand Army line, is in better shape this year to accommodate the old comrades and their friends than ever. Having its own rails into Buffalo it is not dependent on other lines for anything. From Decatur the noon train (11:30 a. m.) arriving at Buffalo in the morning carries through chair cars. The night train (11:30 p. m.) carries through sleepers arriving at Buffalo 4:15 a. m. All trains stop at Niagara Falls ten minutes. This regular service every day in the year. During the encampment many special trains will be run. All Wabash tickets permit stopovers at Niagara Falls. Call at the ticket office and get a folder of Buffalo and Niagara Falls

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Death lurks in impure water. It breeds disease often in epidemic form. The first symptom is looseness of the bowels. These diseases are checked by taking Foley's Colic Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

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YOU ought to know that when suffering from any kidney trouble that a safe, sure remedy is Foley's Kidney Cure. Guaranteed or money refunded. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

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You Can Depend On It

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Parasites—Real estate lots in the capital of France.

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As an honest remedy, Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes in advanced stages, but truthfully claims to give comfort and relief in the very worst cases, and in the early stages to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Patriot—One who lives for the promotion of his country's union and does it in.

When You Take Your Vacation

the most necessary article to have with you (after your pocket-book) is a bottle of Foley's Colic Cure. It is an absolute prevention or cure of all derangements of the bowels caused by change of water. You are likely to need it. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

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1 lb. (40c regular) Mocha and Java Coffee for..... 35c
1 lb. (35c regular) " " " 30c

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LOCAL NEWS.

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One night's mystery—How to get up without disturbing the old lady.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Welgand are the best in town. Moh 25-dtf.

The Wabash will run a 60 cent round trip excursion to Buffalo for the assembly on McIntyre Day, Saturday, August 21.

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

At the High school tomorrow morning at 10:45, E. A. Gastman will give some reminiscences of his trip to the Pacific coast. Those interested are invited to hear him.

Go via the Banner Route (Wabash) to Chicago for \$2, August 21 and 22.

Parlor matches—Courting in the drawing room.

Go via the Wabash to Chicago on their \$2 excursion of Saturday and Sunday, August 21 and 22.—18-dtf

Remember the Coming Event—Fresh Oysters—commencing August 20. Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.

Telephone 344. (Aug. 10-dtf)

To accommodate the G. A. R. and their friends the Wabash will run their train No. 4 on Sunday, August 22, leaving Decatur at 11:00 a. m. This train will have through cars arriving at Buffalo the next morning.—18-dtf

Mrs. Charles R. Murphy entertained 35 friends yesterday afternoon from 2:30 to 5 o'clock at her residence, 665 Prairie avenue, in honor of Mrs. Herbert Maffrey, of St. Louis. The reception was entirely informal.

Why continue to pass your nights in scratching, and your days in misery? Joan's Ointment brings instant relief, and permanently cures even the worst cases of Itching Piles. It never fails, Sold by Bell, the druggist.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for fine and medium grade buggies, surreys, road wagons, and also the old reliable Peter Schuttler and Moline farm wagons.—July 19-d&w2mo

Misses Laura and Estelle Jenkins yesterday afternoon gave a reception in honor of their guests, Misses Blanch and Zella Flownan and Maude Jeffers, of Springfield. During the afternoon 76 callers were received by the Misses Jenkins and the following young ladies who assisted them: Misses Bonnie Bartholomew, Nannie Mariweather, Adele Blackstone, Anna Walston and Lucile Bullard.

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Cigars. Cigars. Havanettes.... 100 for \$1.75. Little Diana.... 100 for \$1.50 5 for .10

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The New Firm Will take charge of this business September 1, 1887, and from now on till the above date we will sell all tennis goods and bicycle clothing at cost, and all fishing tackle, hunting coats, base ball goods and sweaters at a reduction of 25 per cent. Don't overlook this chance. H. Mueller Gun Co. 134 E. Prairie street.—8-dmo

Stand at the Head.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and today stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at the drug stores of J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Excursion to Chicago.

On Saturday and Sunday, August 21 and 22, the Illinois Central railroad will run a cheap excursion to Chicago. The fare for the round trip will be \$2.

Both Dead.

Henry Hammatt, an aged and respected citizen of Danville, died from the effects of an opiate, and his wife, prostrated from woe, expired three hours later. His health was the cause for the suicide. Hammatt was 82 and his wife 83.

TRY ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE,

A powder to be shaken into the shoes. At this season of the year your feet feel swollen and hot, and get tired easily. If you have swelling feet or tight shoes, this powder cools the feet, makes walking easy. Cures swollen ankles and sweating feet, blisters and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of all pain, and gives rest and comfort. Try it TO-DAY. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores for 25c. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmstead, Le Roy, N. Y.

A SPELLING CONTEST.

Teachers at the Institute at the High School—Socialie Tonight at the G. A. R. Hall.

All of the teachers attending the Macon county institutes were busy today attending to their studies, after hearing the address by Attorney McIntosh, which was highly commended. The list of teachers in attendance has been increased by the following: James Parish, Wayne C. Williams, M. E. Lockhart, Henry Walter, Mae Hopkins, Mrs. Annie Berry, Anna and Alice Mead, David H. Wells, Celia Despres, Clara B. Bothel, Celeste Hoffman, Eva Humphrey, Alice and Rose Lichtenberger, Blanche Binkley, Bertha Albert, Jessie Garver, Bernice Higgins, E. O. Melvin.

This afternoon at 3 o'clock there was a spelling match conducted by Superintendent Keller. There were 50 words not easy to spell given out and those who stand up the longest will be given prizes. There are six prizes to be awarded.

Barbers.

LOGAN COUNTY OLD SETTLERS.

Celebrate Their Twenty-Third Annual Reunion at Mt. Pulaski.

The twenty-third annual reunion of the old settlers of Logan county was held Tuesday. There was an impounding of people from all over Logan and the adjoining counties of Sangamon, Macon, DeWitt, McLean, Tazewell and Menard.

Several thousand came by rail, by carriage, by wagon and bicycle. John A.

Horn delivered the address of welcome to the old settlers. The principal address was made by Col. H. G. Reeves, of Bloomington. He began by a graphic description of the early life of a pioneer and told of the hardships endured and the progress of civilization to the present time. He gave forcible advice to the wage earners to strive and better the conditions of the times.

Harry Spence, of Springfield, gave one of his declinations, and it was well received.

The Rev. J. A. Kumler, formerly of Springfield, now of Clinton, delivered an interesting address on "The Duty of the Hour."

Lugan Anderson and others delivered addresses.

An interesting feature of the day was a game of ball between the rival clubs of Lincoln University and the Kenney Mutes, which resulted in a victory for Kenney, the score being 10 to 8. In the evening a display of fireworks was witnessed by several thousand.

JOHN Q. BLACKWOOD DEAD.

Expired From Exhaustion Between Six and Seven O'Clock Wednesday Evening.

John Q. Blackwood, who resided with his wife in Riverside, died quite unexpectedly between six and seven o'clock Wednesday evening from exhaustion. He has been ailing for some time from a bowel trouble, which culminated in complete obstruction and finally ended the career of the sufferer.

Mr. Blackwood was twice married and leaves several children by his first wife among whom is Mrs. Samuel Park of this city; the other children do not reside here.

His second wife also survives him. He has lived in Decatur for fourteen years and had mostly been engaged in buying cattle. He served in the war for three years in Company B, 117th Illinois infantry, and has a good record as a soldier.

He was not a member of the G. A. R., but at the request of the widow Dunham Post will conduct the remains to their last resting place, when the G. A. R. burial services will be performed.

The funeral will be from the residence on Maibst street, one block south of Carroll street, Friday at 10 o'clock a. m.

What a Boy Will Do.

An exchange says a boy will tramp 247

miles in one day on a rabbit hunt and be

lumber in the evening, when, if you ask

him to go across the street and borrow

Jones' two-joch augur, he will be still as

a meat block. Of course he will.

And he will go swimming all day and stay in

the water three hours at a time, and

splash and dive and paddle and puff, and

next morning he will feel that an unmeasured insult has been offered him

when he is told by his mother to wash his

face carefully so as not to leave the score

of the suds and suds so plain to be seen

under the gills. And he'll wander around

a dry creek bed all the afternoon piling

up a pebble fort, and nearly die off when

his big sister wants him to pick up a

basket of chips for the parlor stove.

And he'll spend the biggest part of the day

trying to corner a stray mule or a half-

headed horse for a ride, and feel that all

life's charms have fled when it comes

time to drive the cows home. And he'll

turn a ten-acre lot upside down for ten

inches of angle worms, and wish for the

voiceless tomb when the garden demands

his attention. But all the same, when

you want a friend who will stand by you

and sympathize with you and be true to

you in all kinds of weather, enlist one of

those same boys.

A Musical.

A musical will be given tonight at

Grace Methodist church at which the

following program will be given:

Mandolin orchestra.

Vocal Solo—"June and December,"

Miss Lyl Stevens.

Recitation—"The New Church Organ,"

Emma Mae Dennis.

Duet—"Souvenirs de Posen," Misses

Marie and Jeanette Powers.

Male Quartet—Messrs. McClelland,

Gher, Spence and Hodges.

Vocal Solo—Miss Hanlin.

Piano Solo—Miss Gilmore.

Recitation—"Archie Dean,"

Miss White.

Vocal Solo—Bert Gher.

Mandolin orchestra.

Tickets for Race Week.

Tickets for the Decatur races, at the

park all next week, are on sale at Curtiss

Bros. store and at Wilson & Rawley's

place.

DAYS AT THE STATE FAIR.

How the Week



Our Neighbors

Marco

Rena, wife of E. Collins, died Saturday, August 14, at her home at Howell. Deceased was aged about 36 years and leaves four children. The funeral was held from the Ridge church Sunday at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Prostet Wood.

Cordell Funk met with a serious accident on Friday. He was lifting a case of pop when one of the bottles exploded and struck him in the right eye. He went to Springfield, where the injured member was removed. He returned home Tuesday.

J. H. Hill, of Decatur, and Ed Rose, of Clinton, students of the Dixon N. I. N. S., visited Roy Moyer on Tuesday.

Frank Huber is running the bakery for Cooper & Cooper.

Sigler & Miller will open a bakery at Huber's old stand next week. Bart Bautler will bake for them.

Bert Morgan returned Thursday from a visit with relatives at Indianapolis.

John Groom was called to Philadelphia Wednesday, by the death of a relative.

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Mrs. H. H. Pharis is able to be out

again after being confined to her bed for some time.

Lake City.

Joe Dickson and Tom Logan made a flying trip last Sunday to Indianapolis.

Mrs. Izetta Fish returned to her home after a visit with relatives.

L. V. Loving will occupy the residence of Mr. Godwin vacates.

There will be a chicken fry at the M. E. church Saturday night, the 21st, all are cordially invited.

Miss Lena Selders is visiting friends at Terre Haute, Ind.

Mr. George L. Selders is our new postmaster.

Miss Ida Brown, of Columbus, Ind., is here visiting friends.

Mr. Doc Foley was a business visitor in Decatur Tuesday.

Mr. John Acom and two sons, and Mr. Whit Foley went to Niantic fishing.

Mrs. Amy Wiggins and children are visiting her sister in Burton this week.

Mr. Jim Foley and family were shopping in Decatur Monday.

Miss Lura Selders is visiting Mr. Allen and family in Terre Haute.

Several of the young folks were at Prairie Hall Sunday night to hear Elder King preach.

Miss Pansy Etchinger, of Decatur, is here visiting her uncle and family, Mr. Whit Foley.

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Point, south of Niantic. The immediate relatives, who survive, are three sisters and two brothers.

J. M. Hawk is remodeling his residence I. N. Vance, of Springfield, has charge of the work.

Miss Nell Ackerman, of Decatur, is visiting with Miss Bertha Chamberlain.

Thomas Chamberlain left Wednesday for Bloomington to take a course in elocution.

The annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of this district will be held here next Thursday and Friday, August 26 and 27. The program is said to be excellent and a large gathering is expected.

Mrs. Abigail, commonly known as "Aunt Abby," Pratt died at her residence last Friday, August 18, aged 74 years. She had been feeble for some time, but the immediate cause of her death was dropsy. She had been a resident of Niantic for 36 years. She leaves one son, Eugene Pratt, of Mulberry, Kas., and three sisters, Mrs. Lydia Wilkinson, of Niantic, Mrs. Amanda Martin, of Martinsburg, Neb., and Mrs. Henrietta Mitchell, of Stawood, Mich. The body was interred at Long Point. Brief services were held at the grave, conducted by G. D. Kitch.

Chamberlain & Mansfield have sold their elevator interests to Delaney Bros., and will give possession September 1st.

While Miss Cora Beck was engaged in washing last week, a needle in one of the garments entered her hand and broke off, leaving a considerable section imbedded in the flesh. Dr. Ryan attempted to cut this out, but could not locate it and a visit was made to Decatur to have a picture of the boud taken by the X-rays. A good picture resulted, clearly showing the position of the needle, and the hand will probably undergo another operation in a few days.

AT A COLORADO RESTAURANT.

One Which All Tenderfeet Are Advised to Carefully Avoid.

"If you are going to Colorado Junction," said the man in the plaid rain coat, "don't stop at the Nickel Dining restaurant. It may not be running now, or somebody may have killed off its enterprising landlord, but it is still in existence, with its free-and-easy sign swinging in the wind, shun it as you would the plague."

"Did they do you up there?" asked one of the crowd.

"Did they? Well, that depends on what you call doing up. I can't say I like to eat where they use a bowie knife as a toothpick, or to have the landlord keeping tally on my appetite with a revolver. It might have been only the custom of the country, but to a stranger it was rather wearing."

"Did you stop there long?"

"Long enough to be frightened out of a year's growth. I was accompanied by my partner, Jack Rollins, and we had been told at the last ranch we stopped at that the landlord was queer. But we were both hungrier than jack rabbits, and the prospect of a good feed was alluring, to say the least."

"Well, didn't he feed you?"

"I am coming to that. Jack seemed to think we would have quite a picnic, judging from the rough looks of the pine-board restaurant, and wished he had his shooting irons along—Jack could shoot the glasses off a man's nose and never deflect a hair's breadth, but great Caesar, as we filed into the shanty down what a comforting smell of grub was coming out! Jack and me saluted it with hats off, and as soon as we were inside we drew up to the rough table and seized a plate of bacon and another of beefsteak and began to eat as if we had only railroad time to wait. There was a man hustling round and some standing about, but we wanted to eat first and pass the time of day afterward. I was just raising the last bite of steak to my lips when something cold touched my ear and a hoarse voice said: 'Drop it!'

"Gentlemen, there are times when it behooves us to be discreet, and I recognized one of those times at that moment. I dropped the steak and the cold touch was removed from my ear, while the hoarse voice continued:

"There are others, and we want hash for lunch to-night."

"My partner did not remonstrate, and presently we said we felt tired and would go to bed. The landlord showed us up a ladder into a loft, and said he would bring up the bedclothes later, and we could sleep comfortably on the door."

"It was a cool night—the nights are all cool in that region—and after awhile we heard the landlord stumbling up the ladder in the dark. We could see the gleam of his revolver and asked no foolish questions.

"He had a thick comfortable belt, and as he spread it over us we felt that it was warm. Jack ventured to ask him if we could get breakfast with him. He said 'yes' in a surly sort of a way, and left us, and, what with the warmth of the quilt and the excitement of the dinner, we were soon sound asleep, and did not wake until morning, when our eyes saw the gleam of steel.

"Breakfast ready?" I asked, trying to assume an air of bravado.

"Eat round the edges of yer quilt; it's all the breakfast you'll git," said the landlord, emphasizing his remarks with a flourish of his revolver.

"Then I saw that we had slept under an immense buckwheat pancake, and gentlemen, you may not believe me, but I never made a heartier meal. But that isn't saying that I enjoyed being coerced into taking my breakfast in bed. That is why I have held a spite against that particular place and landlord ever since for abridging my rights as an American citizen. Just say you save me if the Nickel restaurant still lives, but don't let the landlord get the drop on you. This is my station. Strong, gentlemen."—Chicago Times-Herald.

The lamplighters of the City Now Use the Bicycle.

Once more the bicycle supplants the horse and the human legs as a means of locomotion. A new and extremely practical use for the omnipresent wheel has been discovered by a class of workers all over the city who need a rapid and easily controlled means of locomotion at their disposal. The lamplighters of Chicago have abandoned all the other primitive means of taking themselves around their beats and now go a-wheel.

It is one more valuable use for the bicycle which helps to prove the great modern means of movement has come to stay.

It does not take an old resident of the city to remember the days when lamp-lighting in the city was a feat of pedaling triumph and in the suburb a trick of rare skill in horsemanship. It was only a few years ago when the sight of a steady-built youth carrying a lighted torch and trudging in regular zigzags down the street was as familiar as the recurrence of the twilight hour. There are still some of these old-fashioned lamplighters left, just as there are one or two horse cars still to be found within the city limits. But both are relics of days that are passed.

It used to be an interesting sight from the porches of suburban homes to watch the lamplighters who lit the gas lamps along the neighboring thoroughfares from horseback. A quick gallop of a few hundred feet across the street on a diagonal, a sudden stop at the side of the road, and the expert rider, whose skill would do credit to a circus troupe, would rise, standing on the top of his saddle, strike a match with a starting crack, turn on and light the gas with the same motion, and in a second be in full gallop for the next iron post. But this was in the days before the gasoline torch and the bicycle were common. Now it is a case of bicycle trick riding.

The lamplighter of to-day carries a gasoline torch of unusual length and rides a bicycle of ordinary pattern. He has no lantern attached to his wheel, although riding after the sparrow cop's decree that all bicycles shall carry lanterns—his torch and his mission protect him. From side to side of the street he swings at each post making a stop but no dismount. With either right or left hand, as the side of the road demands, he holds himself and wheel upright by the post a second, while the disengaged arm thrusts the torch up through the hole in the bottom of the lamp, turning on the gas and lighting it by the single motion. Then a quick start is made for the next post, a few turns of the pedals covering the distance.

"I can light about four times as many lamps as I could on foot, and about twice as many as I used to on horseback," said a lamplighter who puts the brightness into the long vistas.

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Meeting, Aug. 24, 25, 26, 27, 1897

FIRST-CLASS MILE TRACK.

PROGRAM:

TUESDAY, AUG. 24.

2:35 Class Pace.....	\$400.00
2:40 Class Trot.....	400.00
2:15 Class Pace.....	500.00

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 25.

2:28 Class Pace.....	\$400.00
2:18 Class Trot.....	500.00
2:23 Class Pace.....	500.00

THURSDAY, AUG. 26.

2:26 Class Trot.....	\$400.00
2:19 Class Pace.....	500.00
Free for all Trot.....	500.00

FRIDAY, AUG. 27.

2:23 Class Trot.....	\$500.00
Free for all Pace.....	500.00

BICYCLE RACES.

One-Quarter Mile Open.

First, \$20 Poco Camera.
Second, \$10 Gold Mounted Silk Umbrella.
Third, \$5 Searchlight Lamp.

One Mile Handicap Open.

First, \$20 Diamond Ring.
Second, \$15 Star Watch.
Third, \$5 Silk Umbrella.

Two Mile Club Handicap.

First, \$25 Silver Plated Tea Set.
Second, \$12, Genuine Turkish Robe.

Third, \$7, Elegant Suit Case.
Fourth, \$8, Solid Gold Cuff Buttons.

One Mile Open.

First, \$25 Diamond Stud.
Second, \$20 Diamond Ring.
Third, \$5 Extra Fine Sweater.

Five Mile Handicap Open.

First, \$20 Gold Filled Case Watch.
Second, \$20 Diamond Ring.
Third, \$5 N. Y. Club Target Rifle.

Fourth, \$5 Striking Bag.

Fifth, \$1 Bicycle Watch Chain and Charm.

ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY, AUG. 16. Records made on that day no bar. We are preceded by Jacksonville, and followed by Peoria, Terre Haute Clinton and Champaign.

B. Z. TAYLOR,
President.

G. A. KELLER,
Secretary.

TWO DAYS WELL SPENT.

Western Editor Reduces Sight-Seeing to a System.

Managed to See More of the National Capitol in Twenty-Four Hours Than Most Visitors See in a Week.

[Special Washington Letter.] One of the veteran editors of the west came to Washington recently, and, although he had but two days to spare, he managed to see a great deal of the national capital in that time.

Thousands of people traveling from east to west annually stop over here for a day or two, and can of course carry away with them only faint recollections of a city of trees and asphalt pavements. The itinerary of the editor is therefore one which everybody coming here on flying trips might better know about and keep for future reference.

The visitor was wise enough to engage apartments at a hotel before coming here. He knew that when congress is in session all of the hotels are crowded. You may judge from that little bit of forethought that he is somewhat methodical, and inclined to make preparations for coming events.

It was early Tuesday morning when the editor arrived here, and he went at once to the hotel, where he had breakfast. He then went down Pennsylvania Avenue on a cable car, which went clear around the capitol grounds, and took him to the new congressional library building. He spent two hours there, viewing with wonderment and amazement the splendor of that magnificent building; an edifice which is now conceded to be, without exception, the most splendid building in the world.

He then walked across the grand plaza to the east front of the capitol building, and entered the senate wing beneath the great marble staircase. Ordinarily a stranger would have climbed the stairs, but it is a physical task which is not necessary. The entrance beneath the staircase leads through a spacious corridor to an elevator which quickly lifts the people to the main floor, or to the gallery floor of the building. Our visiting editor first walked about the senate floor, and went to the east front, where he saw the bronze doors, containing numerous allegorical representations in bas relief. Then he went to the gallery, and was admitted to the reserved gallery because he held a ticket of admission which had been sent to him with the compliments of one of the senators from his state—the senator having learned that the editor was coming to Washington about that time.

It was just five minutes of 12 noon, when the visitor took his seat and began to study the architectural effects of the great legislative chamber. He observed in the niches along the wall the marble busts of the ex-president of the republic. They are all there, including one of Adlai E. Stevenson, whose term of office only expired last March.

At 12 o'clock he saw Vice President Hobart enter the senate chamber, accompanied by Rev. Dr. Milburn, the celebrated blind chaplain of the senate. He heard the vice president's gavel strike the desk once, lightly, and then the vice president said: "The senate will be in order. The chaplain will offer prayer."

With a friend sitting beside him to point out the notables, the visiting editor saw Senator Frye, of Maine, the eloquent republican orator; Senator Morgan, of Alabama, the patriotic

Atmospheric conditions were perfect, the bureau of engraving and printing, the place where all our paper money and all of our postage stamps are printed. It is a wonderful workshop; but everything is so barred off that it is difficult to see much of the workings of the bureau. The workingmen and the women are all barred in, and the public barred out, because there are millions upon millions of dollars in money right there all the time.

At three o'clock in the afternoon, the president gave a public reception, and our editorial brother went there. It was a great sight. He was ushered into the east room, and there were about 300 people awaiting an opportunity to shake hands with the president. It was 15 minutes after three o'clock when the president appeared, and took his place at the door leading out into the corridor. The crowd filed past him, one at a time, in single file, and he took the hand of each caller, bowed and passed him to the hall. It was all over in ten minutes, and the president went back to his public duties. But he can now say to his associates as he takes up his pen to write: "This is the hand that shook the hand of William McKinley." Very few people, comparatively speaking, ever have an opportunity to see one of our presidents, much less to see him face to face, and shake his hand.

The day was waning, but it had been well spent. The editor then entered an open coupe, and was driven out over the hills of northwest Washington to the soldiers' home; that comfortable retreat where the veterans who are homeless may go and spend their last days in peace, quiet, comfort and pride; for they are all proud of their home, and of their soldier records.

After driving all over the vast acreage within the soldiers' home walls, the driver reined his horse and called attention to what is called the "capitol vista." The dome of the capitol, which is five miles away, can be seen through the trees, for there is an opening directly through the trees which looks as though it had been purposely hewn; but the driver says that it is a natural opening, and everybody believes that it is so.

Now, when you come to Washington and have only two days to spend here, if you will follow this itinerary, you will find that by systematic effort you will be able to see a great deal, and enjoy every minute of your time.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

—In Bombay the plague is carrying off over 500 persons a week still. It is now officially declared that the plague exists in Jiddah, the port from which Mecca is reached.

—Though steamship companies have complained for many years of small earnings Mr. J. J. Bibby, of Liverpool, head of the Bibby line, who died recently, aged 83, left \$9,000,000 in personal property.

—Roszlin, in the coal mining district of Silesia, is collapsing rapidly owing to reckless mining close to the surface. One thousand people are already homeless and \$300,000 worth of buildings are destroyed.

—Tarnworth castle, the home of the Marquises, hereditary champions of England, offered by its latest possessor, Marquis Townsend, at auction, was bid in by the corporation of the town for \$15,000. The heralds in Scott's poem hailed Marmon "Lord of Fontenay, of Lutte, Worth and Scarsbrough, of Tumworth to 'er and town." The fishing in the river Tame and Anker and rights over five moors go with the castle.

—Bulgaria is thinking of substituting the reformed Gregorian calendar for the Russian orthodox one, a bill for that purpose having been drawn up at Premier Stoloff's request by Sig. Cesare Tondini de Quarantelli, an Italian mathematician, and Dr. Shishmanoff, president of the Bulgarian court of cassation. It is hoped that after the Bulgarian sovereign has adopted the reform it may spread to all the countries that use the Russian calendar.

—A free fight on top of Nelson's pillar in Sackville street furnished excitement for a Dublin crowd one morning recently. The monument is 120 feet high, and the platform on which the statue stands is about 18 feet square.

A Carlow farmer, having made his way up to the platform, threw down his hat and stick, climbed up the flagstaff, and when the keeper and a policeman interfered, tried to throw them over the railing. They succeeded in holding him off till men from the street came to their help, and had a hard time getting the crazy man down after they had bound him.

ETIQUETTE OF THE CIGAR.

Some Pointers Picked Up by an American in Mexico.

The man who had been down in Mexico trying to buy up a carload of silver dollars made for the American market and guaranteed worth their weight in sterling silver was in town the other day looking for customers. Incidentally he ran across a Star reporter and offered to sell him a ton or two of dollars. Then the man asked for a light and the reporter, flipping the ashes from his cigar, handed it over to the returned traveler.

"There's such a difference in customs," said the man, taking his light from the borrowed cigar. "Now you notice how politely and thoughtfully—for thoughtfulness is the true politeness—you knocked the ashes off of your cigar when you handed it to me to light mine?"

"Reporters are always polite," suggested the reporter.

"As I was saying," continued the man, unheeding, "there is such a difference in customs. Now, when I went to Mexico the first time I didn't know the Mexican code of manners, and about the first thing I did when I landed was to ask a man for a light. He handed me a cigar with the ashes on. I thought it was bad manners, but I flipped them off and kindled my weed. I did that four or five times, and I always got it the same way. Then I began to hope some of them would ask me for a light so I would show Mexico what real manners were. I got a chance one day, when a man asked me for a light. I flipped off the ashes and, with a salam at least two yards across in its widest sweep, I extended him the blazing stump. He took it, of course, because he was too polite to treat a stranger otherwise, but he did it in a way that showed me something was wrong, and I began asking a question or two."

"The result was that I discovered what the true form was and what an ass I had been making of myself trying to teach those old castile soap-souvenirs what the code cigarro was. My instructor told me that the thing to do was to leave the ashes on at their full and to daintily touch the unlit cigar or cigarette just above the fire line between the ash and the tobacco. After that, being no longer ignorant to avoid bloodshed or international complications, I never again was guilty with the ashes of my cigar."—Washington Star.

The Turkey Buzzard.

The turkey buzzard is most repulsive in appearance, its featherless neck having a plucked effect which no doubt gave rise to the legend here told. As its name denotes, the buzzard is not unlike a turkey, but its dusty, unkempt appearance is a great contrast to our well-groomed, dignified kings of the barnyard whose namesakes they are. The turkey buzzard has, however, one point of beauty that deserves mention—his flight. It is the embodiment of winged gracefulness. He spreads his wings and floats, seemingly motionless, a black object against the azure of the southern sky, too far away for the watcher to note his ugliness. Without motion of the wings he rises or ascends at will, a pair of dusty plumes resting on the sultry air. You watch him breathlessly until he descends, when the spell is broken, for repulsive and ungainly he stands revealed—the scavenger of the tropics. Yet this poor, ugly, ungainly bird has his uses. Without him the south would be a sorry victim to fevers and diseases bred from offal festering under the fierce tropical sun. As a scavenger he is invaluable, and the law protects him as he plies the calling for which he was created.—Philadelphia Press.

SMITH D. FRY.



The murderer who, at dead of night, creeps stealthily to bury the dead and mangled body of his victim inspires men with horrid dread. There is a murderer abroad who yearly slays one-sixth of all the human race who go down to untimely deaths. This dread monster is called consumption. The approach of consumption is slow and insidious. First there is a slight disorder of the digestion. The appetite is poor and the nourishing properties of the food are not properly assimilated. The blood becomes thin and impure. The body begins to starve. Old tissues of the body are not properly replaced by new. The lung tissues are not properly nourished and are inert and half dead. In this condition they offer a good soft for other germs of consumption which invade and attack them.

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THE MAKING OF A STATUE.
The Science of Mechanics Pressed
into the Service of Art.

When we look upon a finished marble statue, says an expert, we rarely think of the time and labor that have been expended upon it. First, a model must be made; but even preliminary to this the sculptor puts his ideas in the form of a rough "sketch" in clay or wax, according to the delicacy required. Here the main points are rapidly molded in, and some idea is obtained of how the statue will look when it is finished. A passing thought, an idea, is in this way fixed, and is more carefully worked up in the model. As a rule, the first model is small, and is of clay or wax, and at first consists of a nucleus of tow or some such material, on which the clay is laid. Bit by bit it is built up, until by trimming and adding, flattening and rounding off, the figure comes to assume its proper proportions. The rough outlines of the "sketch" are developed, new ideas are added, others are altered, and by degrees the realization of the sculptor's thoughts begins to appear in the clay.

In the actual manipulation great care must be taken that the clay is of the proper consistency and possesses the requisite amount of moisture, otherwise it may become dry and crack. A still more serious accident is where the clay crumbles to pieces. In this way the labor of months may in a few minutes vanish into a mass of debris, an experience which many sculptors have had. To guard against this the clay must from time to time be moistened, and when work is finished for the day the model must be carefully covered with damp cloths. In this way accidents may be prevented. When large models have to be made, extra precautions must be taken against drying. The nucleus must be made strong, of iron rods along the lines where there is least support, as in the case of outstretched arms or legs, and the rods must be properly fixed in a stable basis. At first the figures are modeled nude, and full regard is paid to all the anatomical details. The drapery is added afterward, from studies arranged on clay figures.

When the model is finished according to the taste of the sculptor a second one is made of the exact size intended for the final piece of work. Where the statue is to be made of bronze the full-sized model is an absolute necessity, as the casting in bronze is made from the model, and it reproduces the latter in every detail. Where the statue is to be of marble the final model need not necessarily be full size, and many sculptors prefer working from small, highly-finished models. Usually, however, a full-sized model is made in clay. The sculptor can still alter or modify his original design, bringing certain features into greater prominence, subduing others. When the model is finished a cast of it is taken in plaster, and this latter is used as the final model, and with it as a guide the block of marble is carved by skilled workmen. This is an art which has been carried to a high degree of perfection in Italy, and the workmen of Carrara are famous. The sculptor makes his model in clay and takes a plaster cast, and then sends it to the works in Carrara, where it is chiseled and then returned to him for the final touches.

The choice of a suitable block of stone, a most important piece of work has to be done, namely, the marking of certain points on the plaster cast and the determination of similar points in the marble. Various methods and instruments have been recommended for this purpose. In practice a divided frame is used, and the exact distance of certain marked points on the plaster cast is accurately measured. Fixed points on the stone are marked, and from these the other points are measured with instruments, and the depth to which the stone must be cut or drilled is determined with great accuracy. In this way all prominent points are marked out, and holes are drilled to the required depth and the intervening marble chiseled away, at first roughly, then with greater and greater care, till the marble begins to assume its finished shape. In the larger sculpture works one man does the marking, another the rough chiseling, another the fine work. Finally a stage is reached when it again passes into the hands of the sculptor himself, and he it is who puts the lines of genius into it with his fine instruments. Although the workers in Carrara are clever, they seldom are gifted enough to supply the finishing touches which give the characteristics of the great sculptors themselves.—N. Y. Tribune.

Strong Obstinacy of a Mexican. One evening as the express train of the Mexican Central was approaching Mexico city, the engineer observed an Indian shepherd lying on the track. The engineer whistled five or six times, but the man would not get up, and it was impossible to stop the engine in time. The pilot of the locomotive struck the head of the prostrate man and rolled him down an embankment. When the train was stopped and the conductor and some of the passengers alighted to look to the man, it was found that, though he had suffered a rather severe scalp wound, he was not dangerously injured. He was able to sit up while his head was bound with his wife's retort. Some of the passengers wanted to bring in the Indian to be attended to at one of the police stations of the city, but he absolutely refused, and getting up he walked without difficulty with his wife to a neighboring hacienda, where he is employed. He would give no explanation as to why he had refused to move off the track when he heard the train approaching.—Mexican Herald.

True to the Last. Seldom Faded—So poor old Slobby is dead. Ragged Haggard—Yes, but he died true to the tenets of de perfession. How was that? Widout a struggle.—N. Y. Journal

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FOR RENT—One of the largest and best located elegant stores in the city, 150 feet deep, steam heat, with fixtures complete to suit tenant at moderate rent, in the Gallagher block, 333 North Water street. Apply to Dr. B. Brown, Aug 14-18.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS.

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Henry Gommer, complainant, vs. Fred Blitter, defendant. In Chancery, No. 16, 17.

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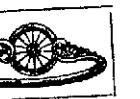
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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

Emergent communication of Ionic Lodge, No. 312, A. F. A. M. Friday afternoon, at Decatur, to attend the funeral of their late brother, D. L. Vining, Member of Macon Lodge, No. 8, and visiting brethren cordially invited.

W. J. LOWERY, W. M.
J. S. McCLELLAND, Secy.

LOCAL NEWS.

Viva Camerata, Opera House drug store, Trunks, 15 cents. Davis' 10 cent delivery, 564 N. Water.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Irwin's Satisfaction tooth powder whitens and preserves the teeth.

For hoarseness and sore throat use Irwin's Bronchial lozenges.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23rd.

For cuts and bruises use Irwin's Arnica healing salve.

We will give you choice of three trains if you go via Wabash to Chicago August 21 or 22.

Go to Spence & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps, etc.—J19d-lines.

Two dollar excursion to Chicago via I. C. R. R. Saturday and Sunday, August 21 and 22, 10-48¢.

People wanting grapes for jelly can get them at G. W. Stoy's Riverside fruit farm, P. O. box 242.—tf

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The Wabash run a cheap \$2 excursion to Chicago on Saturday and Sunday, August 21 and 22, for trains leaving at 8:45, and 11:45 a. m. of Saturday and 1:05 p. m. of Sunday morning. Do not miss this.—13 dts.

Don't forget the 60 cent round fare trip excursion in regular trains to Buffalo on Saturday, August 21. It is the most attractive day at the Central Illinois As seetively.

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On Saturday and Sunday, August 21 and 22, the I. C. R. R. will run another popular \$2 excursion to Chicago. Trains leave Decatur 7:10 a. m. and 11:59 a. m. Saturday and 1:30 a. m. Sunday. Good leaving Chicago until 9:10 p. m. Sunday night.—13 dts.

This evening Rev. E. B. Randle and Rev. D. F. Howe will conduct an echo meeting at the First M. E. church and will talk on the Epworth League convention that was held at Toronto. All members of the Endeavor societies of the two churches are requested to be present at the meeting as the two ministers will explain why members of the Endeavor society should become members of the Epworth League.

On Saturday and Sunday, August 21 and 22, the joint meeting of the Piatt county Christian Endeavor union and the unions of Decatur district will be held in the Presbyterian church at Bement. A fine program has been arranged for the occasion which includes addresses from all of the officers of the Macon county union. On Sunday evening Rev. W. H. Penhalligan, of Decatur, will deliver an address before the meeting.

A LECTURE.

"The Ideal Home," by Rev. D. C. Blunt, at the U. B. Church on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Rev. D. C. Blunt, of Westfield college, will deliver his popular lecture on the "Ideal Home," at the U. B. church, corner of Broadway and Eldorado street, on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Blunt is an eloquent, forcible speaker and his lecture is highly recommended. A rich treat is in store for all who hear him. Admission free. M. B. Spaldy.

THERE IS A CLASS OF PEOPLE

Who are relieved by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee without distress, and gives the same effect. It does not cost over one fourth as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

HELD A MEETING.

Proposed Improvements at the Water Works Under Consideration at City Hall.

Mayor Taylor was at the office of the city clerk last night in consultation with Engineers Daigh and Alderman Ammann, Knowlton and Gogerty in reference to what had been done and what was yet to be done in the way of changes at the water works to lessen the expense and increase the supply of water. The conference was the result of the bold kick at the council meeting Monday, and although the attempt to stop the work failed of its purpose, the mayor on his own motion named the three aldermen to look into the matter and have a talk with the engineer whom the mayor had employed to make the changes which have heretofore been suggested in these columns. The committee had visited the water works and had posted themselves as to what had been done, and the plan of operations general. At the conference last night the chief interrogator it seems, was Alderman Knowlton, who has been a locomotive engineer, and is a student in all that pertains to the operation of machinery. He had a number of books with him and these he used to play Mr. Daigh with questions which it is asserted were satisfactorily answered. The result of the investigation will probably be made known at the council meeting Monday night. The gentlemen were not inclined to talk last night. Mr. Knowlton was one of the members of the council who opposed the employment of Mr. Daigh in the beginning, because of the expense that would be incurred, but now it is understood that the alderman is in favor of letting the improvement go ahead, as the promised results may be realized. Mr. Daigh is quoted as saying last night: "In the reconstruction of the plant there is scarcely a question raised which should not come within the scope of an up-to-date engineer running. I made my calculations carefully and was convinced that they were correct. To be more certain if that was possible, I submitted the data and my conclusions to one of the best engineers in the country and he verified them. He said that the only place where I was wrong was in the estimate of the results to be gained. He said that I was too conservative, that I had not claimed enough. What the committee which met tonight will recommend, if any recommendation is submitted, I do not know. The only change likely to be made so far as I know now, is that it is likely that arrangements will be made so that duplicate steam mains can be put in at some future time, if it becomes necessary."

DID NOT TELL HIS STORY.

Death of George Morris, the Mysterious Stranger, at the Macon County Poor Farm.

George Morris died of consumption at the Macon county poor farm this morning at 3 o'clock. He was the man who was arrested last winter charged with having made the assault on the Illinois Central ticket agent at Walker Station last March. He was kept in the county jail for a number of months where he became ill, due to his weak lungs. Several Decatur parties became interested in the welfare of the stranger, and after some negotiation he was removed from the jail to the poor house where he became better for a while. He had been growing weaker gradually for weeks and finally passed away. His burial took place at the farm this afternoon.

It is generally conceded that the deceased had a history which he refused to reveal. Several times lately efforts had been made to get the stranger to make a confession or a statement of his past life, but he would not do it. He resisted all pleading. He claimed to have two sisters in the east, but he would not give their address, so that they could be informed of the dangerous illness of their brother. He had a wife, but he did not want her to know his address or condition. It is possible that the man felt the sting of his arrest and preferred to pass away alone rather than have the true state of affairs become known to his people. It is not probable that the authorities will ever hear from any of the relatives of Morris.

ON TO BUFFALO

The 31st National Encampment of the G. A. R.

A great many members of Dunham Post, G. A. R., will attend the 31st national encampment of the G. A. R. at Buffalo, N. Y., August 23 to 26. The annual parade will take place on Tuesday, August 24 and the grand G. A. R. parade on Wednesday, August 25. The Wabash has been selected by the Gen. Rep. T. Butler Post, No. 754, G. A. R., Irving Park, Chicago, at a recent meeting of this post they adopted the following resolutions:

"The Wabash road runs to the Soldiers' Home at Quincy, Danville and Detroit. Has over seven hundred miles of road in Illinois and has never refused the cost transportation for an indigent comrade to the home when asked for, and now that we have an opportunity to reciprocate for past favors, we propose to stand by those who stand by us."

AT THE OLD CAMP.

Veterans of the 116th Illinois Regiment Hold Their Annual Reunion at Fairlawn Park.

SPLENDID DINNER SERVED BY LADIES

Grand Feast of Good Things—Cake and Melons—Coffee and Milk—Roster of Comrades Present.

The annual reunion and dinner of the veterans of the old 116th Illinois regiment, which was largely made up in Macon county, was held at Fairlawn park today. It had long been the desire of the veterans to meet at the old fair grounds where the regiment at its formation went into camp in the summer of 1863, and remained there until November 8 of the same year, when the orders were given to go to the front. There were nearly 70 of the veterans at the reunion, and all had a good time talking about the old camp and disputing about the location of the east fence and where certain companies had their quarters. Some of the veterans were still undecided about some points when the reporter left the grounds. They remembered all about the main gate and the old guard house, the springs and how some of the boys used to get out to go over the hill to Casey's, and they recalled lots of other things that were mysterious to the scribbler. Dinner was served on a long table at 12:30, placed under the trees. The ladies were in charge, and they provided a splendid feast of good things—chicken, cold ham, beef, cakes, pies, sandwiches, salads, golden butter, rich coffee and cream, etc., besides watermelons, the gift of Comrade May. There was a fine large coconut cake sent in from Botham by Mrs. Fred Soeber, with the request that every veteran present be given a slice with her compliments. Everybody said that the cake was immense in beauty and quality. There were so many veterans that some had to wait until the second table. Then all the visiting comrades of other regiments were invited to come to the feast. At the beginning of the feast the comrades were called to order by President Ira N. Barnes and grace was said by Rev. N. M. Baker, the old chaplain of the regiment.

The business meeting was held after the dinner had received attention. Routine matters were disposed of and then came the election, resulting as follows:

President, Ira N. Barnes; vice president, I. N. Martin, Sr.; treasurer, Daniel Moore; secretary, John Scott.

The ladies were highly complimented on the completeness of the feast, which was voted to be ahead of any reunion dinner the comrades have ever enjoyed.

Hicks were run to the grounds to accommodate the veterans and their friends.

Roster of Those Present.

Dr. Ira N. Barnes, surgeon, Decatur.

Rev. N. M. Baker, chaplain, Lincoln.

C. F. Engle, quartermaster, Marion.

I. N. Martin, captain I, Decatur.

S. Huston, Company G, Cisco.

John E. Ninnis.

Jason Kitchell, I, Dalton City.

John Shields, K, Dalton City.

M. L. Barrett, dragoon major, Sedalia, Mo.

B. W. Schenck, D, Decatur.

John Scott, I, Decatur.

Harvey Mahannah, G, Decatur.

Daniel Moore, G, Decatur.

Fred Soeber, A, Botham.

David Gurtler, I, Botham.

W. S. Turpin, C, Decatur.

D. K. Pound, C, Decatur.

J. A. Cochran, A, Lake Place.

Daniel P. Davidson, C, Lake City.

Ebenezer Werkhiser, I, Decatur.

John Flids, A, Cerro Gordo.

Michael Golden, I, Decatur.

Elijah Coomb, C, Decatur.

James K. Pack, A, Cerro Gordo.

David Shoemaker, K, Decatur.

C. S. Bellard, E, Warrensburg.

D. B. Landis, G, Decatur.

Thomas Long, A, Cerro Gordo.

Al McKee, E, Decatur.

C. Entwistle, B, Sullivan.

Alex. Davidson, C, Decatur.

Daniel Bowen, A, Cerro Gordo.

Joe B. Adams, D, Weldon.

William Hamsher, K, Decatur.

R. D. Wilson, C, Decatur.

E. W. Kile, E, Cisco.

A. B. Champion, C, Mt. Zion.

Joel Ringhart, E, De Land.

A. E. Parr, E, Cisco.

L. L. Houck, B, Decatur.

H. F. May, C, Decatur.

John W. Slatkus, B, Dunn.

Larkin Fester, D, Argenta.

A. J. McKee, A, Chillicothe, Ill.

Eri Querry, D, Argenta.

John Shanoun, D, Argenta.

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